



# Massachusetts Avenue Reconstruction Project Arlington

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Public Information Meeting

June 16, 2014

Thompson School

# Today's Presentation

- Welcome and project team introductions
- Limits of Work
- Project Goals
- Project Views
- General Timeline of the Job
- Response to FAQ
- Q&A session



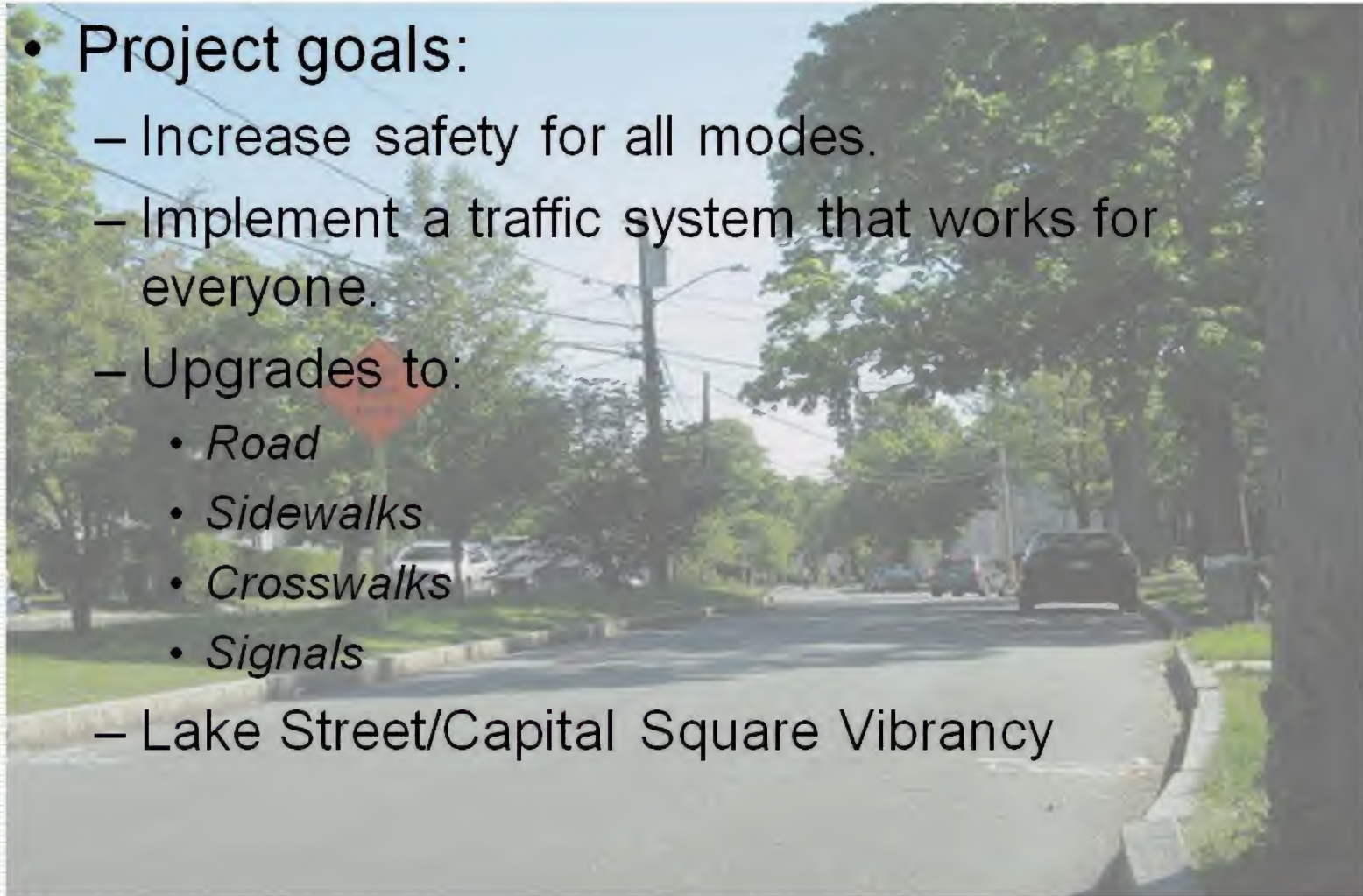


# Limits of Work



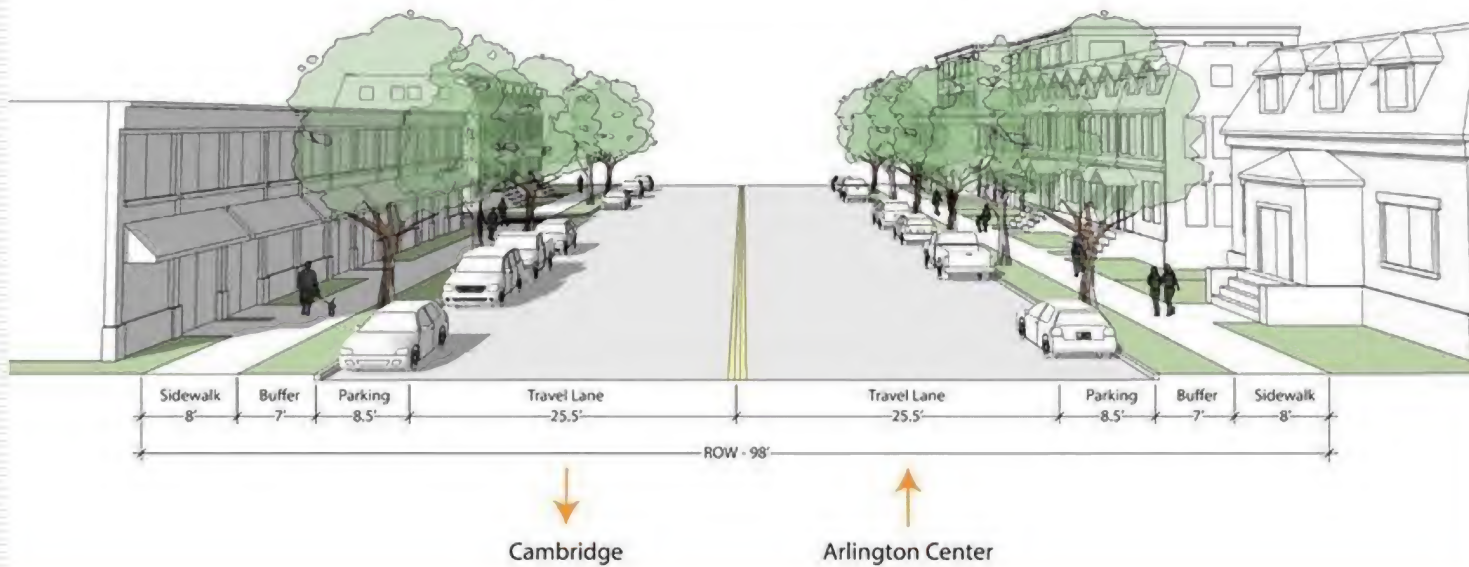


- Project goals:
  - Increase safety for all modes.
  - Implement a traffic system that works for everyone.
  - Upgrades to:
    - *Road*
    - *Sidewalks*
    - *Crosswalks*
    - *Signals*
  - Lake Street/Capital Square Vibrancy

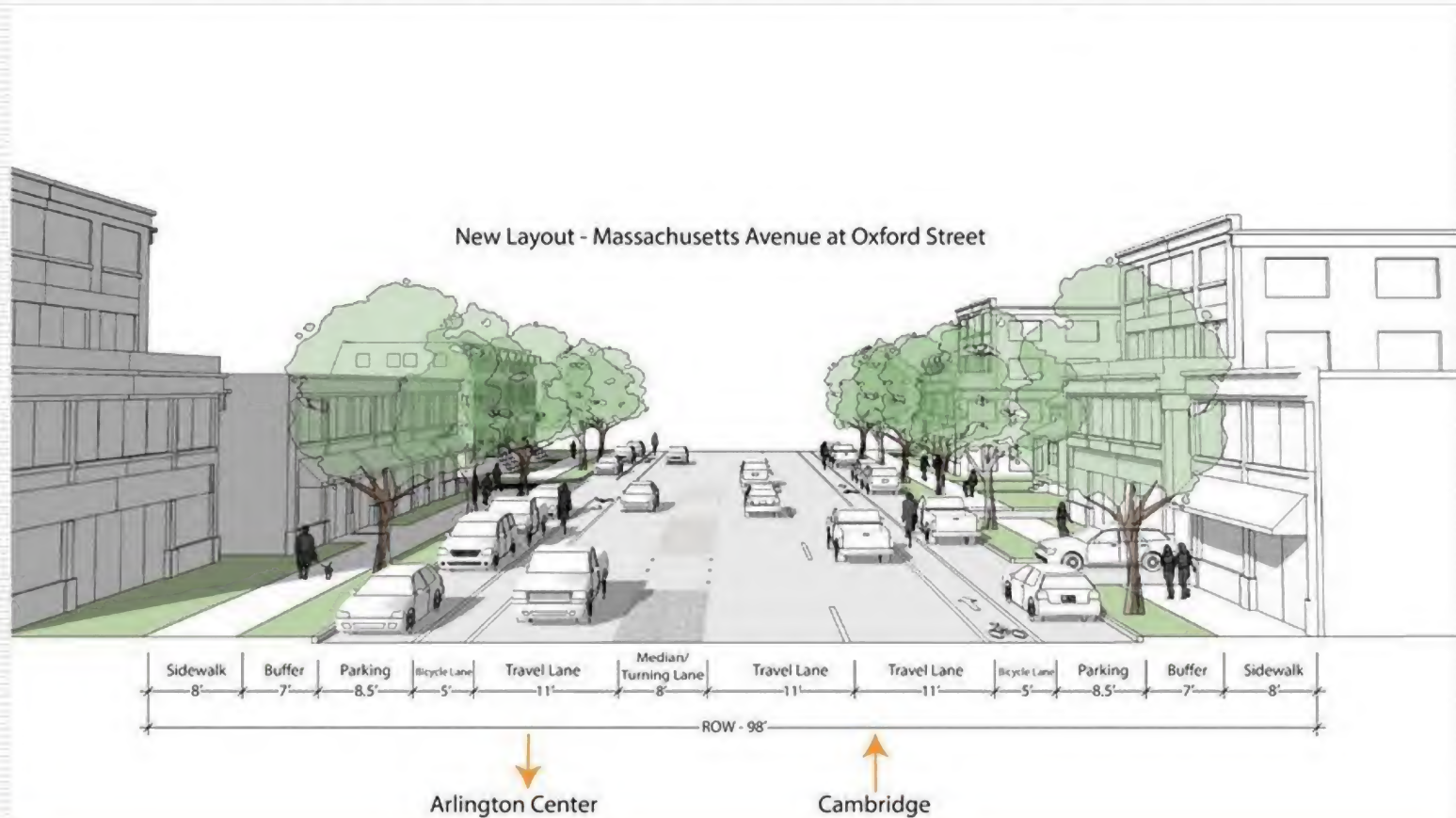


# Existing Conditions

Existing Layout - Massachusetts Avenue at Allen Street



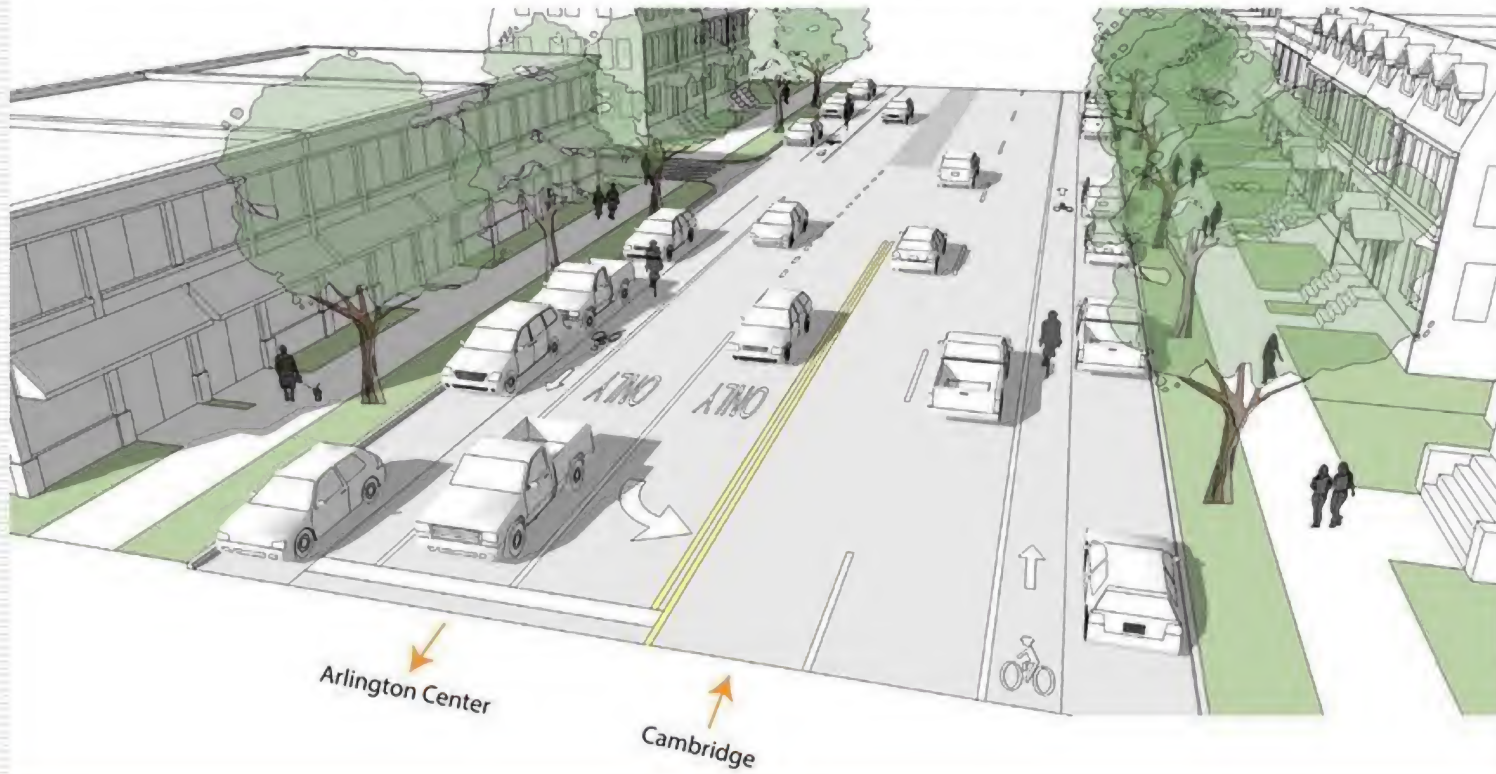
# Future Conditions - Typical





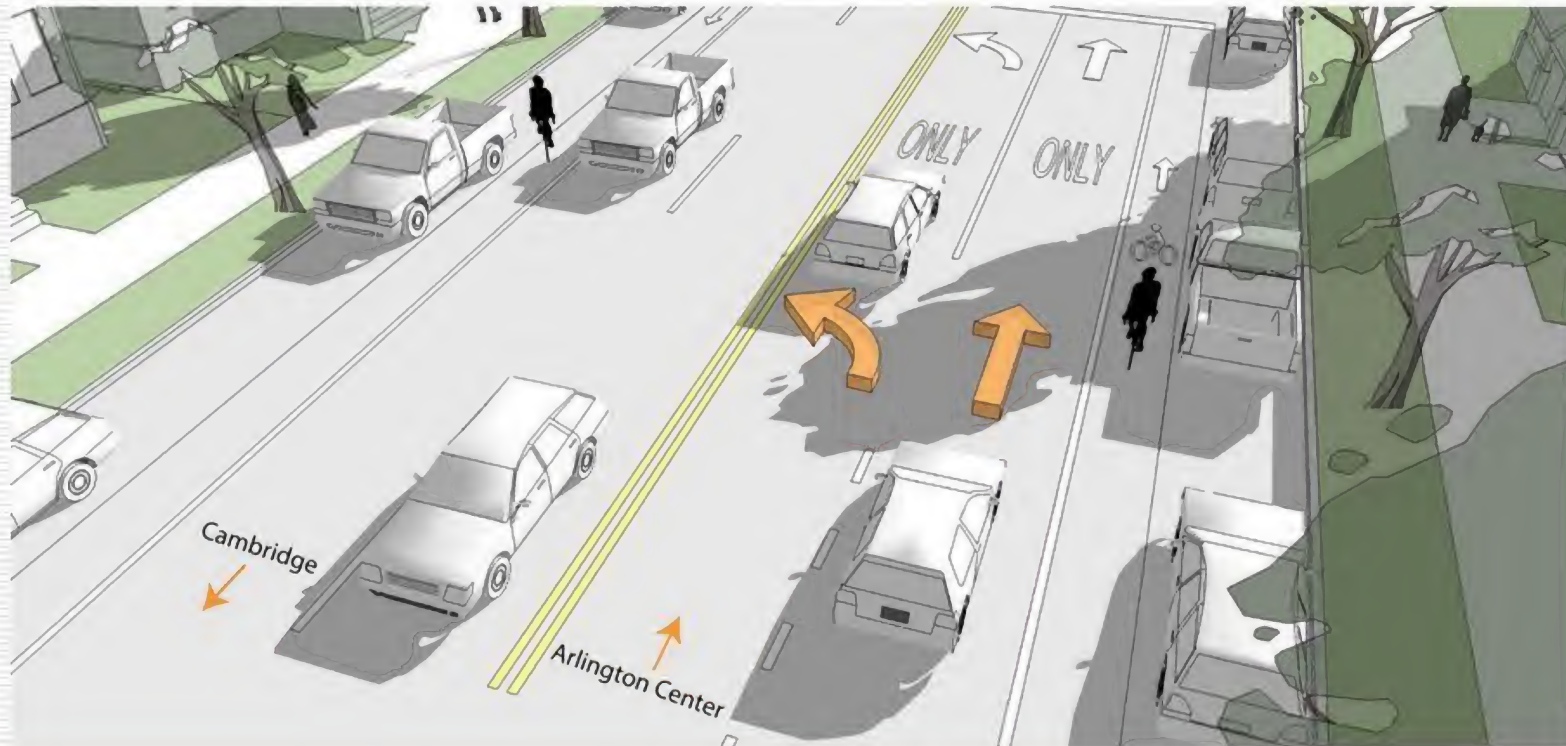
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Left-turn Lane with Through Traffic - Massachusetts Avenue at Lake Street



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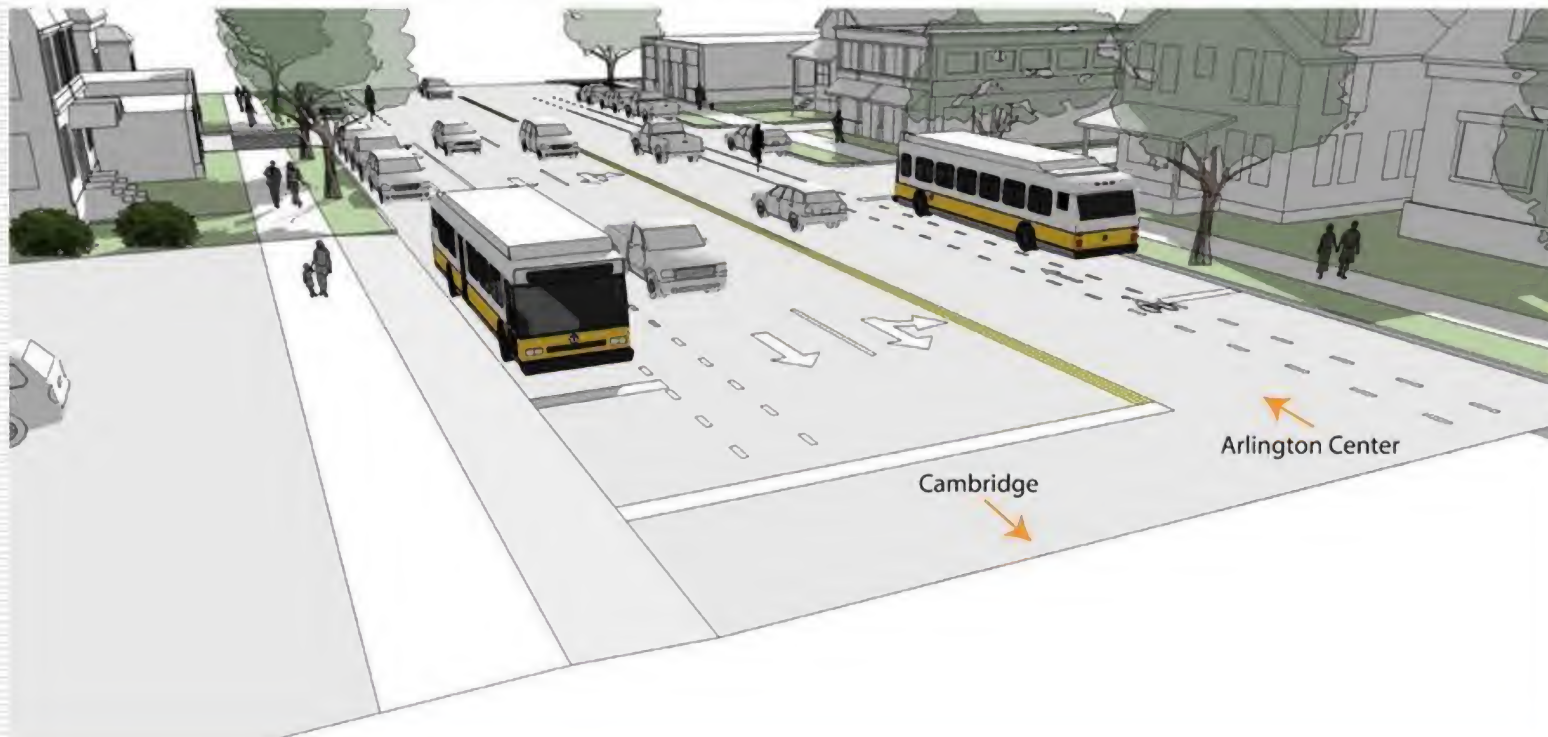
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# Transit Accommodations

Bus Pull-off with Through Traffic - Massachusetts Avenue at Thorndike Street



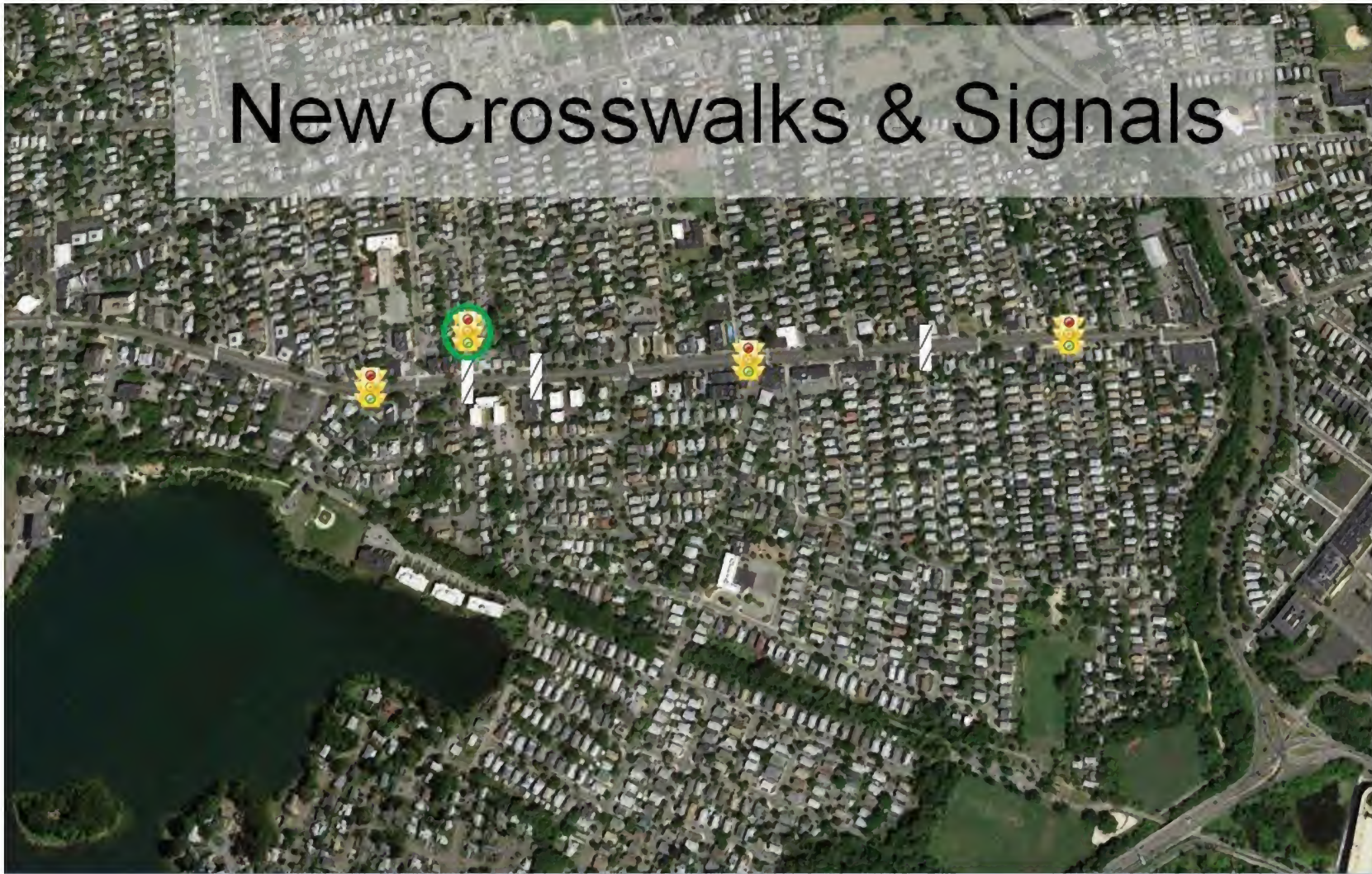
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# New Crosswalks & Signals





# How We Get There - I

- Approx. 2 Construction Seasons:
  - Spring 2014 to Spring 2016
  - Job will slow or stop December to March:
    - Signals, lighting, street furnishings can progress
  - Work will run from Pond Lane to Alewife Brook Parkway.






# How We Get There - II

- July-August 2014:
  - Drainage/water work
  - NSTAR/RCN/Comcast/Verizon
  - Short-term water interruptions
    - *72 hours advance notice – less than 1 day*
- Sidewalks:
  - Pond Lane to Winter Street (fall 2014)
  - Winter Street to Alewife Brook (spring 2015)
  - Pond Lane to Orvis Street (spring/summer, 2015)
  - Orvis Street to Alewife Brook (summer 2015)
- Roadway resurfacing (fall 2015)
- *Full beneficial use (fall 2015)*
- Landscaping (fall 2015)
- Full completion (spring 2016)




# Some FAQ's

Question		Answer
How long is the project?		Approximately 2 construction seasons, spring 2014 to spring 2016.
What's the sequence of the job?		<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Utilities</li><li>2. Sidewalks</li><li>3. Roadway reconstruction</li><li>4. Landscaping</li></ol>
Is there night work expected?		Not in the current phase, mainline repaving (2015) will take place at night to reduce traveler impacts.
Is there weekend work expected?		Not at present. Approval would be subject to DOT and Town of Arlington review.
How will driveway access be maintained during sidewalk work?		Maximum driveway closures will be 3 days to allow concrete to cure. 48 hours notice will be provided. Temporary access will be maintained via graveled space.



# Some More FAQ's

Question		Answer
How will Massachusetts Avenue be repaved?		At night, in a continuous section. Traffic will be maintained with cones.
What about MBTA bus service?		MBTA bus service will be maintained throughout construction. Some temporary stop relocations may be required.
What about merchant deliveries?		Deliveries will be maintained throughout construction.
What about emission control for contractor machinery?		All machinery will adhere to MassDOT emission control standards. Anti-idling measures will be enforced.

# Civic Engagement

- Three week “view ahead” through Arlington website and email.
  - *Please sign up for Arlington email notifications.*
  - [www.arlingtonma.gov/massaverebuild](http://www.arlingtonma.gov/massaverebuild).
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